

**DEMENTIA CARE SETTING APPLICATION FAQ**  
**5/16/18**

**Question:**

The checked items for the question on the Informal Assessment document did not include the strategic plan or staffing information. Are these later items the ones requested or are we also to respond to the entire question including the strategic plan and staffing questions?

**Response:**

Only the items listed under the application question with an "X" indicate missing or inaccurate information. An "X" was placed with the application question to help providers identify there was missing or inaccurate information identified for a particular question.

**Question:**

If one has separate buildings in separate apps, how do you want one to show that the 1:5 and \$50,000 requirement are met to satisfy the financial part per app.

**Response:**

For each individual application, we only evaluate the information submitted with that application to determine if it meets our requirements for the 1.5 current ratio and the \$50,000 net worth. We do not group information from separate applications nor require groups of related applications to meet a higher threshold for certain sections of the application.

**Question:**

Under 33c of the Alzheimer's app, it talks about a money reserve account with a formula. Is there a minimum? How was the figure arrived at?

**Response:**

The formula used to determine this amount was included in the Informal Assessment document (see below).

The minimum requirement of two months of reserves was not met. The information submitted indicated \$\_\_\_ in reserves. **A minimum of \$ was required for reserves.**

Calculation = (SLP daily rate x 60 days) x # units x 0.75 This calculation uses a 75% occupancy rate.

**Question:**

When I go to the website, there are no rates for West Central & St. Louis.

**Response:**

There are not currently any certified Supportive Living Program (SLP) dementia care sites in the West Central or St. Louis Medicaid reimbursement rate regions. Per the provider notice issued 8/24/16 regarding the expansion of the SLP for dementia care, the following rates were identified:

**SLP Dementia Care Setting Daily Rates**

| <b>SLP Geographic Area</b> | <b>Daily Dementia Care Setting Rate</b> |
|----------------------------|---|
| Chicago                    | \$110.20                                |
| South Suburban             | \$101.23                                |
| Northwest                  | \$96.84                                 |
| Central                    | \$93.67                                 |
| West Central               | \$85.03                                 |
| St. Louis                  | \$93.64                                 |
| South                      | \$81.50                                 |

**Question:**

If one is applying for two buildings in an application and states that one building will be built and the second will follow in three to five years, should I combine the construction costs of both buildings in my total project costs and total sources or just state they will be the same for both buildings? Also, see attached an example of a total project costs and total sources worksheet. Does it meet the requirements or what should be added?

**Response:**

For building plans with more than one phase, each phase should be listed separately. Each phase should have a separate Sources & Uses Statement. Then, a combined Sources & Uses Statement should be submitted which includes all phases of the planned project. Include the number of units planned for each phase and also the total number of units for the completed project.

In order to be fair to all applicants, the Department will not review the attachment you provided with your email. Any information for our review must be included in your application. All applicants will have the same opportunity to amend or correct applications.

**Question:**

We interviewed for our memory care applications in 2017. I was wondering if we are going to be called in for additional interviews as a part of this new process.

**Response:**

In order to be considered for selection, applicants will be required to complete an interview for the 2018 dementia care setting application review process, even if the applicant had been previously interviewed in 2017.

**Question:**

All studio apartments have an accessible bathroom with sink. Based upon my reading that would meet the requirement for a sink, microwave and refrigerator with a separate freezer compartment in the language but thought it best to confirm with you.

**Response:**

The sink referenced in the 89 IL Adm. Code 146.610(b)(1) refers to a kitchen sink and may not be substituted by a bathroom sink. Dementia care setting apartment requirements do not differ from conventional SLP apartments.

**Question:**

Our plan for meeting the requirement would be to provide a compact microwave/refrigerator combination for each apartment IF the resident assessed was determined to be at a cognition level that would be safe for them to have that access.

**Response:**

Regarding the compact microwave/refrigerator combination, please consider that many residents are able to safely use a refrigerator and freezer, but not a microwave. Not being able to safely operate a microwave cannot prevent a resident from having a refrigerator/freezer in their apartment.

**Question:**

I would appreciate very much if you would please review and reply with feedback on the proposed response and the associated documentation and highlight any incomplete or inaccurate components.

**Response:**

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**Question:**

Are we required to resubmit an entirely new application if we are supplementing any one section of our previously submitted application?

**Response:**

A complete application must be submitted, not just certain sections that are being revised.

**Question:**

Will our market study for the 2017 application be satisfactory or will we be required to submit a new market study? Will we be disadvantaged if we don't?

**Response:**

The 2017 market study is acceptable. Please note another copy will need to be submitted. The Department will not be using any information submitted with the application submitted in 2017 unless an applicant confirms the entire application is complete and accurate. A new market study may be submitted if information was missing or inaccurate.

**Question:**

If not required to submit an entirely new application, can we still supplement sections of the application that are not currently identified as needing additional explanation?

**Response:**

A complete application must be submitted. You may provide any additional or missing information you deem necessary.

**Question:**

Will we be interviewing for a second time with the Department?

**Response:**

In order to be considered for selection, applicants will be required to complete an interview for the 2018 dementia care setting application review process, even if the applicant had been previously interviewed in 2017.